

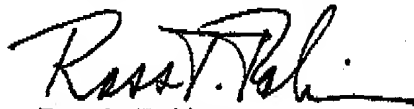
REMARKS

This supplemental amendment is presented in response to the Office Action of April 11, 2003. Applicant has amended the claims for clarity purposes and appreciates the courtesies extended by Examiner Barry in a recent telephone conference between Examiner Barry and Applicant's representative.

Claims 1-15 and 17-18 have been amended. Claim 16 has been cancelled, without prejudice or disclaimer. Applicant respectfully submits that no new matter has been added and that no claim has been amended for any reason related to the statutory requirements for patentability. Applicant wishes to thank Examiner Barry for his indication that the amendments made herein will place the application in condition for allowance. A Notice to that effect is respectfully requested.

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